

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 15-05-18**

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For Work Week Commencing: May 18, 2015

Commission Meeting: May 18, 2015, 1:30 p.m.

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1:30 p.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

1:45 p.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of May 11, 2015

2. Out-of-state staff travel (Justin)

Request approval for Lori Sandru to travel to New York City to attend the NARUC summer committee meetings to participate in the Consumer Affairs Committee and Staff Subcommittee that Lori is actively involved with. The meetings are from July 11-15, 2015. Probable Motion: Move to approve the travel request.

3. Citizens Telecommunications D2015.3.22 (Mike)
Citizens Telecommunications / CenturyLink Communications

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana and CenturyLink Communications, LLC, have executed an interconnection agreement and filed it with the Commission for approval. The interconnection agreement was formally noticed by the Commission and no outside party submitted comments or objected to the interconnection agreement. The parties to the interconnection agreement negotiated the terms voluntarily. Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana and CenturyLink Communications, LLC, are both registered with the Commission to provide telecommunications services in the state of Montana. Probable Motion: Move to approve the proposed interconnection agreement in D2015.3.22.

4. Qwest Corporation D2015.4.35 (Mike)
Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC / Airus Inc.

Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and Airus, Inc., have executed an interconnection agreement and filed it with the Commission for approval. The interconnection agreement was formally noticed by the Commission and no outside party submitted comments or objected to the interconnection agreement. The parties to the interconnection agreement negotiated the terms voluntarily. Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and Airus, Inc. are both registered with the Commission to provide telecommunications services in the state of Montana. Probable Motion: Move to approve the proposed interconnection agreement in D2015.4.35.

5. Ronan Telephone Company D2015.4.37 (Mike)
Ronan Telephone Company / Level 3 Communications, Inc.

Ronan Telephone Company and Level 3 Communications, Inc., have executed an interconnection agreement and filed it with the Commission for approval. The interconnection agreement was formally noticed by the Commission and no outside party submitted comments or objected to the interconnection agreement. The parties to the interconnection agreement negotiated the terms voluntarily. Ronan Telephone Company and Level 3 Communications, Inc., are both registered with the Commission to provide telecommunications services in the state of Montana. Probable Motion: Move to approve the proposed interconnection agreement in D2015.4.37.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2015.3.30 – NorthWestern Energy – Application for Approval of NWE’s 2015 Natural Gas Universal System Benefits Charge Rate Adjustment – Discuss and act on NorthWestern Energy’s request to adjust its USB Rate. (5/18/15)
2. Placeholder – D2014.8.72 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. – Application to Increase General Natural Gas Rates – Discuss and act on language for ROE paragraph in final order. (5/18/15)
3. D2015.4.40 – NorthWestern Energy – Application for Propane Supply Cost Account Balance and Rate Adjustment for Townsend Propane Supply – Discuss and act on Interim Order. (5/18/15)
4. D2013.5.34 & D2014.5.47 – NorthWestern Energy – Consolidated Natural Gas Trackers – Discuss and act on NWE’s Motion to Reserve Issue and Strike George L. Donkin Testimony. (5/18/15)
5. Placeholder - D2013.5.33/D2014.5.46 – NorthWestern Energy – Consolidated Electric Trackers – Discuss and act on identifying additional issues. (5/18/15)
6. N2013.12.84 – NorthWestrn Energy – 2013 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan – Discuss staff’s recommendation and obtain direction on preparing the Commission’s comments identifying concerns regarding the 2013 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan and compliance with ARM 38.5.8201-8229. (5/18/15)

7. D2011.4.35 – Sleepy Hollow Oil and Gas, LLC – Application for Authority to Initiate Natural Gas Service in and around Winifred, MT – Discuss and act on Stipulation. (5/18/15)
8. D2015.3.23 – Greycliff Wind Prime, LLC – Petition for a Declaratory Ruling that Greycliff's Organizational Structure Satisfies the Definition of a CREP – Discuss and act on Greycliff Wind Prime, LLC's Petition for a Declaratory Ruling. (5/18/15)

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission’s web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

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| 1. Mountain Water Company | D2014.12.99 | (Jeremiah) |
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On April 21, 2015, Mountain Water Company (“Mountain Water”) and Western Water Holdings, LLC (“Western Water”) filed a Motion for Protective Order as a result of answering documents contained in the Confidential Information Memorandum (“CIM”), requested by PSC-028(b), and the Management Presentation, requested in PSC-29(b).

2. Mountain Water Company D2014.12.99 (Jeremiah)

On April 27, 2015, Mountain Water Company and Western Water Holdings, LLC filed a Motion for Protective Order (Motion) in response to the Montana Public Service Commission's Order No. 7392c. This Motion concerns salary information and Class B Units documents responsive to Data Requests PSC-015.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2015.5.41 - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s Heating Zone Boundary Change
N2015.5.42 - Ronan Telephone Co. - Forbearance Application for Community Bank, a Division of Glacier Bank